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Mr. William F. Caton
Acting Secretary
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Re: PR Docket No. 93-61

Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith are an original and four copies of reply comments of Mark IV Industries I.V.H.S., Inc. in the above-referenced docket.

If there are any questions concerning this matter please communicate with the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

George V. Wheeler

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| Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules to Adopt |) | PR Docket No. 93-61 |
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REPLY COMMENTS OF MARK IV INDUSTRIES, LTD. I.V.H.S. DIVISION

Mark IV Industries, Ltd. I.V.H.S. Division ("Mark IV") herewith, by its attorneys, files its comments supporting grant of the modifications to the Commission's LMS Report and Order in the above-captioned proceeding requested by the Interagency Group.¹

1. Adoption of Single-Application Procedures. The Interagency Group has presented compelling reasons for the Commission to adopt a "streamlined, single application procedure" to facilitate coordinated grants of large non-multilateration systems such as the EZ Pass Plan. We believe that the Commission should be flexible in adopting application procedures to take account of the unique geographical dispersion, the large number of toll agencies involved and the requirements for full RF interoperability among all parts of the regional system being deployed by the Interagency Group members. The public will clearly benefit if the various toll agencies can obtain authorizations in a manner which permits the

The InterAgency Group is composed of the following: New Jersey Highway Authority; New Jersey Turnpike Authority, New York State Thruway Authority; Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission; Metropolitan Transportation Authority Bridges and Tunnels; Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; South Jersey Transportation Authority and Delaware River Port Authority.

orderly, timely and cost-effective deployment of large regional systems like EZ Pass.

2. Grandfathering of Existing Non-Multilateration Licensees. The request of the Interagency Group for an additional three years beyond the April 1, 1998 deadline for grandfathered non-multilateration licensees to use equipment which does not meet out-of-band emissions limits also should be granted in the public interest. The investment in grandfathered equipment identified by the Interagency Group, exceeding \$3.1 million by public toll agencies, is substantial. The estimated useful life of this equipment, approximately eight to ten years, extends well past the April 1, 1998 deadline.² The public would benefit if the Interagency Group were not compelled by Commission regulation to retire these facilities before the end of their useful life.

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We strongly urge the Commission to reconsider and grant both requests of the Interagency Group. As discussed here, the toll agencies comprising the Interagency Group have presented sound, practical and fiscally-responsible reasons why the Commission's

The EZ Pass system only recently started operating advanced reader systems supplied by Mark IV in the first quarter of 1995 and will greatly expand the scope of its initial operations in coming months.

procedures should be modified. The public clearly will benefit from Commission grant here.

Respectfully submitted,

MARK IV INDUSTRIES, LTD. I.V.H.S.

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